

STATE OF IOWA

GOVERNOR TERRY E. BRANSTAD LT. GOVERNOR KIM REYNOLDS

BOARD OF EDUCATIONAL EXAMINERS GEORGE J. MAURER, Ed.D., EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

June 26, 2012

Nancy Sebring 3811 SW 28th Street Des Moines, IA 50321

Re: BoEE Case # 12-39

Dear Ms. Sebring:

A complaint was filed with the Board of Educational Examiners on April 17, 2012, alleging that you violated the Board rules governing professional practice and ethics. After initial review, the case was assigned for investigation by the Board's investigator, who contacted you and gathered documentation related to the incident underlying the complaint. At its meeting on June 22, 2012, the Board thoroughly reviewed the complaint and the investigative materials.

After careful consideration, the Board decided to dismiss the complaint and closed the case without pursuing formal disciplinary action against you. The reasons for the Board's decision are included in the enclosed Order. Should you have any additional questions or concerns please contact this office at (515) 281-5849.

Sincerely,

George J. Maurer, Ed.D.

Executive Director

Enclosure

IOWA BOARD OF EDUCATIONAL EXAMINERS

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Case No.	12-39)	FINAL ORDER	
)	DISMISSING COMPLAIN	NT

A complaint was filed with the Board of Educational Examiners on April 17, 2012, alleging that a licensed practitioner violated Board rules. The complaint was identified as Board case number 12-39 for investigation. A Board investigator contacted the parties and gathered information regarding the incidents underlying the Complaint. The findings from this investigation were compiled into a confidential report, which was considered by the Board on June 22, 2012.

Pursuant to 282 I.A.C. 11.6(3), that Board will move a complaint forward to hearing only "[i]f a determination is made by the board that probable cause exists to conclude that the code of professional conduct and ethics] has been violated." In addition, the Board's rules regarding jurisdictional requirements for Board action indicate that in order for the Board to exercise jurisdiction over a complaint, the "magnitude of the alleged violation must be adequate to warrant a hearing by the board." 282 I.A.C. 11.3(2). Based upon these rules, the Board concludes that a finding of "probable cause" sufficient to move a case forward to hearing requires determination: (1) that there is sufficient evidence presented to support a reasonable belief that a violation of the code of professional conduct and ethics has occurred; and (2) that such violation, if proven, is of sufficient magnitude to warrant disciplinary action by the Board.

After careful consideration, the Board has voted to dismiss this case for the following reason:

The Board finds that the evidence gathered in the investigation, including witness statements and the documentary evidence, does not substantiate the allegations in the complaint, and that the Board therefore lacks probable cause to proceed with this matter.

Iowa Code section 272.13 prohibits the Board from disclosing additional factual information relative to this complaint and investigation.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that this case is closed. No further proceedings will take place in this matter.

Dated this 22nd day of June, 2012.

George J. Maurer, Ed.D., Executive Director

On behalf of the Board